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SUBJECT: MOUKNASS SAYS MOROCCO RECOGNIZES GIRM SAHARA CLAIMS

1. UPON HIS RETURN FROM UNGA EARLIER THIS WEEK, GIRM FORNMIN HAMDI OULD MOUKNASS TOLD LOCAL PRESS AND RADIO INTERVIEWERS THAT MOROCCO HAS RECOGNIZED GIRM TERRITORIAL CLAIMS TO SPANISH SAHARA. MOUKNASS QUOTED BY NOUAKCHOTT INFORMATION AS SAYING THAT, IN SPEECH BEFORE UNGA, MOROCCAN FORNMIN "CLEARLY AND EXPLICITLY RECOGNIZED MAURITANIAN RIGHTS OVER THE SAHARA." MOUKNASS.-WHO HAS BEEN SUBJECT OF MOROCCAN PRESS BARBS IN RECENT PAST--LABELED MOROCCAN ACTION A "MANIFESTATION OF GOOD WILL."

2. IN CLOSING INTERVIEW, MOUKNASS REITERATED GIRM SUPPORT FOR RAPID DECOLONIZATION WITH SAFEGUARDS FOR THE INTERESTS OF THE CONCERNED STATES AND THE SAHARAN PEOPLE. HE MADE NO COMMENTS ON MOROCCAN DEMANDS THAT SAHARA QUESTION BE PLACED BEFORE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE. SHURTLEFF

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